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CODING AND MULTIPLEXING SYSTEM, AND MEDIA DATA CODING AND

MULTIPLEXING METHOD

LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231 January 22, 2001 0649-0769P-SP

Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC 119 and 37 CFR 1.55(a), the applicant hereby claims the right of priority based on the following application(s):

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A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto. Also enclosed are the verified English translation(s) of the above-noted priority application(s).

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